



NEW SBRIDGE

Employment Dinner 28-08-15

On Friday the 28th of August in Platinum Clubhouse we had an in-house Employment Dinner. At least 30 to 35 people came to dinner. On the morning Kate and her catering crew were busy in the kitchen making finger food for the dinner. The finger food consisted of various sandwiches, wedges and cocktail sausages.

Kate and Michelle F made lovely buns and cheese cake for dessert. Members and staff sat down to eat their dinner, soon the room filled with the sound of talk and laughter with full bellies.

Members got up and gave a hand with the clean up, it was an Employment Dinner with a difference – that is we had it in the clubhouse not outside, but in holding the Employment Dinner it showed spirit of members to carry on with our social programme.

Question, do we need new weighing scales?

The clubhouse also celebrated Laura's birthday which was held in unison with the Employment Dinner.

Philip F



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October Events

1st Quarterly review in Platinum clubhouse

1st Smoking Cessation in Naas

12th HACCP Training in Dublin for staff
Clubhouse Closed

19th HACCP Training in Dublin for staff
Clubhouse Closed.

30th Halloween Party in Platinum Clubhouse

October 2015

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			1 Creative writing Quarterly Review in Clubhouse	2 Relaxation Crafts	3	4
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The Start of my Job in Rathsallagh House

I started in Rathsallagh House on Monday the 17th of August. When I went in I was asked to bring out the glasses to the Pavilion. I put them all out in the Pavilion. The Pavilion is the place where the wedding guests sit down for the afters of the wedding (they sit down and enjoy the lovely meal that the chefs have prepared). I was then asked to help clear the tables after the guests were finished with their breakfast. The other jobs that I have been asked to do is hoover the dining rooms where the guests sit down for their Breakfasts, I have also been asked to bring out the tables and chairs to the cabin, I have been asked to fold napkins for the breakfast and the weddings as there is two different ways of folding them each for the weddings and breakfasts.

The people that I am working with are very kind and considerate people. If you do not know where things are or where things go they will gladly help you out and show you where they go or where to find them. The person who is my general boss is a kind and considerate woman, if you don't know what to do with some things then the person to ask is her. The people who helped me get the job are great people in every which way, in that they supported me all the way in my efforts to get this job.

Jonathan D



Prue Halliwell

The article I am doing is based on Prue Halliwell a fictional character from Charmed. Prue is depicted as one of the first original leads as a witch and more importantly as a charmed one –one of the strongest witches of all time. The character was played by Shannon Doherty in the TV show between 1998 and 2001 appearing in seasons 1-3 until the character's death came. In 2001 Prue was named the 10th greatest witch in television history. Early on in the series Prue is known as the strongest and most powerful witch of the charmed sisters. During her first 3 seasons Prue decides to balance her destiny of defeating evil forces in San Francisco while taking the responsibility of protecting her sisters and innocent people as well as trying to lead a normal life as an appraiser for an auction house and as a photographer. In season 3 all hell breaks loose Prue is tragically murdered by Shax, a very powerful demon who murdered Prue. After time had been reset in that episode Prue lost her life by that powerful demon while trying to save an innocent and her sisters. Prue was my favourite witch in Charmed. I loved Prue in Charmed. To me Prue is and was the best and strongest witch in the TV show Charmed and in history until sadly she lost her life by a powerful demon. The episode was sad to see Prue die like that. Some of Prue's powers and abilities in the show were telekinesis – moving things with her mind and astral projection- able to be in two places at once.

Michelle F



Halloween

Halloween is here again this year
So be aware of this scary night
As soon as the darkness draws near
Many spirits will drool with their fright
Strange faces will call to each door
Looking for apples and nuts at their fill
These little monsters we so much adore
Shall inhabit the night with a shivery chill
They will sing songs with great fun
Celebrate the night until very late
The night will not be over and done
Until the bonfire is burning great
Kids will dance around and around
While the children dance in such glory
Fireworks will blaze from the sodden
ground
Until the spell of the night tells its story
A festive night full of hearty cheer
That each child inherits in their hearts
This spooky season comes once a year
A time of their life's that never departs

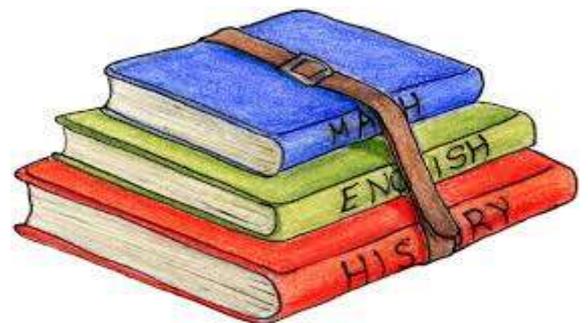
Paddy M



Going back to school in Autumn

Going back to school in autumn was a frightening experience for me. I was dreading the thoughts of going into the headmaster's classroom for I didn't know what lay ahead in front of me as I heard stories of it. I got on my bicycle and put my satchel on my back and headed off to school as I knew that this would be my first time to encounter the unknown. It was a fine morning as I cycled on the road through the leaves that had fallen from the trees and transformed into different colours. As I got to a neighbour's house I put my bicycle into the garage and walked up to the school as well as meeting my friends who were also wondering about going into the headmaster's classroom. We threw our bags against the wall and played a game of football in the back of the schoolyard while waiting for the headmaster's car to arrive. As soon as he arrived we gathered up our bags and went to the classroom. We were all put into different places at the desks and sat down to get organised. For books we had to do a sum which I thought was hard but I got it right in a minute for it was easy for a hard sum. The rest of the day we spent reading books from the library and come lunchtime we went down to the ball alley to play soccer. Some of us went down to the shop to buy sweets and soon as the bell went we all ran up from the ball alley and entered the classroom in order. As it was our first time back at school we got no homework so I cycled home enjoying the honeymoon while it lasted.

Tommy K



Our Chef Kate

Kate is great to cook any tasty meal,
And present it so nice without any ordeal,
She cooks with perfection and with taste,
And her food never ever goes to waste,
She is a real lady of obvious to be,
And presents our dishes for all to see,
Prepares food carefully with hygiene precise,
And cooks all food elegant and nice,
Well organised in the kitchen each day,
And her cooking is tasty in a special way,
She is well used to any hard graft,
With a sense of humour gives a laugh,
In clubhouse the lads give a helpful hand,
And with Paul and them all everything is grand,
Kate dishes out the food at dinnertime,
And everything is organised so fine,
At dinner we dive into it at our best,
With Kate's chef work we are so blessed,
Our taste buds excited eating away,
Our chef Kate really makes our day,
We can have Salmon, Beef or Pasta Pie,
With food you could be ready to die,
Mixed Grill and Steak and so much more,
So much food there ready in store,
What makes Kate special she never gives any
fuss,
And all of the time she is thinking of us,
A blessing to us all we have to say,
And a special person in every way

By Paddy M



Things to Remember

1. Your first love is the one who gave you life.
2. One good friend is better than a million acquaintances.
3. A child's smile is worth more than all the gold in the world.
4. Always remember you were young once.
5. Your God will always be with you.



The Power of Friendship

The power of friendship moves mountains,
Helps us when we are sick in times of sorrow.
To laugh at ourselves
To tell us where we are going astray
Friendship is a blessing may it be with us all.

October Birthdays:

Frances H, Rose N,
Ursula C. James M,
Philip F, James K, Noel M, Sheena H,
Desmond D, Peter K, Mary O' L, Tony K,
John F & Al O' N.



Autumn

Soft breezes blowing as autumn leaves falling gently on the ground, children playing among the russet colour leaves. That's how I feel when I think of Autumn it's a lovely time of year to see everything changing, the changing of everyone's lives as we encounter yet another month.

Children going back to school, for some it's a new beginning in their lives as they start school and make new friends. It opens up a new world for them others look forward to entering secondary schools and for some its back to education and learning new hobbies new skills, or finding out about oneself. The holidays are over as people return to work and look forward to the coming weeks ahead.

Embers of fire glowing as we see the lightning of fires at night. We feel a chill in the air morning and night and sometimes rain falling gently on the window panes.

People take up reading or knitting as the curtains are drawn over early and the mornings get darker. At times the days seem shorter as we move forward and enter into another season. We prepare and get ready for the coming weeks and so too do the animals and birds hibernate for the colder weather to come.

Frances H



True story

Morris and Paddy were friends. Morris was in the army for 21yrs. He had a good pension and started to drink, and became an alcoholic. Paddy worked on the KCC and often went into Morris after work. After awhile he started to drink and miss work, but his boss didn't mind. He thought the world of Paddy.

As time went by, Paddy missed work more and more. He was regularly in with Morris; he only went back to work when he was low in funds.

Morris started to bring home flagons of cider or get his wife to bring home some. One morning his wife woke up to find him dead in bed. This made Paddy drink more, until his boss died.

His new boss had a talk with him. He said "you come in here every day, unless you have a good reason not to or you'll be sacked". Paddy cut out the drink. That was 20 years ago, Paddy now has a new car, a girlfriend, and has his house spick and span, and with all the money he has saved. It was in wrack and ruins; he spends a lot of time with his girlfriend, but not in the pub.

Patricia D



All Hallow's Town



One Halloween night I found my way into a dark and dreary place. It turned out that it was a gateway to a place that had all of the horrors and good things from the story books. This place was called All Hallows Town, a place that these creatures could live in peace and quiet without the persecution from my world. It turned out that the only way that I could have found it was that one or both of my parent's were from this place. I was an orphan and it turned out that both of my parents were from All Hallows town. I went around asking people about the different creatures that lived here (Centaur, Sphinx, Banshee, Vampire, Witch, Warlock, Werewolf, Goblin & Troll) these were just some of the creatures that lived here. As I was asking the creatures these questions I saw out of the corner of my eye two of these creatures following me. Now I was only 18 at the time of finding out about this. I had some strange things that were going on in the place and these things that were happening to me were the powers that were building up in me. As I continued on I went around a corner and disappeared. These two creatures came around the corner and started looking around the place wondering where I was. They then went on their way and I decided to follow them. I followed them to their house and as I looked in the window I saw pictures of me all around the place. It turned out that these creatures were my biological parents. I went and knocked on the door. My father and mother answered. I went in and they told me the story about how they fell in love even though their families were at war with each other.

They told me that they fell in love at a young age and that their parents found out and were against them getting married. They then found out that my mother was with child. When my grandparents heard this they were fuming, because the child would be the most powerful witch or wizard around. It turned out that my mother gave birth to twins and that they kept my sister and sent me to the mortal world. They told me that they did it to save my life as my grandparents would have killed me if they found out that there were twins. I then met my sister. She told me that I was the older and that the two of us together could bridge the gap between the families so that the feud could end. I used my powers so that my grandparents felt my powers and they came to my parent's house. When they saw the two of us together, they told us of a prophecy that said that when the two bloodlines were joined in twins then there would be peace. When my parents heard this they were very angry with their parents as why were they never told about this. My grandparents said that they thought that my mother had heard of it. My grandparents were delighted to have us back and the feud was ended. I told my parents that they were going to be grandparents as I had a girlfriend who was with child with twins in the human world. My parents told me that that girl was not human but a witch sent to me so that I would be with her. I was delighted and brought her back to our world. We had a boy and a girl like my parents had and so did my sister. It turned out that she was with child as well from her fella. My sister had a boy and a girl as well. My parents were delighted that they had brought about the ending of the feud and that they were grandparents as well.

Jonathan D

About Platinum Clubhouse

Clubhouse is a member run and centred service, where every individual has something valuable to contribute to the clubhouse and to society at large, irrespective of their diagnosis or level of function.

We offer members a supportive environment in which they can work alongside staff in planning and operating.

Members participate in mutually planned vocational, educational and social activities.

The Clubhouse guarantees four main rights:

- **Right to a place to come**
- **Right to meaningful work**
- **Right to meaningful relationships**
- **Right to a place to return**



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